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Applicant(s): Ryo Yoshida Attorney Docket No.: JA999144

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Please find attached hereto the following documents:

- 1. Amendment Transmittal Letter (1 page) (in duplicate); and
- 2. Response to Office Action (6 pages).

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